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Foreign Office Notice.

IT HAS PLEASED HIS MAJESTY the KING to appoint the Hon. George W. Macfarlane a Noble of the Kingdom.
Aliiolani Hale, April 25, 1884.

THE PACIFIC COMMERCIAL ADVERTISER.

Saturday, April 26, 1884.

THE ceremony of to-day will no doubt draw a large crowd of spectators, a majority of whom will only be attracted by feelings of curiosity or the desire to dissipate the time in the enjoyment of an unusual spectacle. To the thoughtful man, however, the opening of a session of the Hawaiian Legislature is an event not to be lightly considered. What the Nobles and Representatives who assemble to-day may do, or may leave undone, may have the most important effect upon the destiny of the country. This is true, quite irrespective of any special circumstances that may characterize the politics of the day. The social and political history of the country may seem to flow along in a steady stream, moderately even in its current, but it is nevertheless a fact, that every session of the Legislature marks a bend in the stream which actually diverts that current into a direction not identical with anything that has gone before it, and by that diversion creates side currents and eddies, each of which does something to modify the future of the community.

The session now about to commence ought to be more fruitful of important results than any that has preceded it during the reign of King Kalakaua. Our reasons for saying this are numerous and would require more space for their exposition than we have to spare to-day. One reason however we will adduce and that is the character of the Assembly itself. Among the representatives of the people are a handful of white men who have the reputation of being possessed of good intelligence, good education and the courage of their opinions. They go into the Assembly banded together in opposition to the administration, and it may almost be said to existing political institutions. An active and vigorous opposition is one of the best safeguards that a Ministry can be hedged round by, because it renders carelessness in details, and half heartedness in opinions, dangerous. We have no doubt that the outcome of the session, whatever it may be, will be all the more valuable for the presence of these *haoles* in the Assembly.

ON Monday next the important duty of electing officers of the Legislative Assembly for the ensuing session will devolve upon the Nobles and Representatives. The offices to be filled are President, Vice President, Secretary, Interpreter, Sergeant-at-Arms, Chaplain and Messenger. For the President there can hardly be said to be any special candidate, and the election will probably result in as great a surprise to the gentleman on whom the honor is conferred as it will to the public.

The next important position, and one that requires to be filled by a person of ability and experience, is that of Secretary. As the Legislative Assembly meets but once in two years it is a difficult matter to obtain the services of the same gentleman for two consecutive sessions. When such an opportunity offers, it ought certainly to be taken advantage of. There are always to be found ambitious young men who aspire to this important office without possessing a full knowledge of the services that will be required of them. Up to the present time, three or four names have been publicly mentioned of those who intend "to run" for the Secretaryship. Amongst the candidates is the gentleman who held the office last year, Mr. E. A. Pierce, who is well known to all the former Representatives and Nobles, and no doubt to the newly elected also. The ability with which he filled the office during the session

of 1882, and his thorough acquaintance with the duties to be performed, are qualifications that ought to recommend him to the electors and secure his election.

The former Interpreter Mr. W. L. Wilcox, will undoubtedly be elected for the ensuing term, as this gentleman is acknowledged to be *facile princeps* in the art of interpreting Hawaiian into English and *vice versa*.

The office of Sergeant-at-Arms is one that has multifarious duties connected with it, and can only be filled creditably by one who is thoroughly versed in the detail business of the session. For many consecutive terms, with the exception of 1882, Marshal Parke was the recognized Sergeant-at-Arms, and everyone would like to see him fill the post again, but we understand that the work in his special department has increased so of late that requires his constant attention, and therefore he would be unable to accept the office, even if elected. It is rumored that some of the defeated candidates have been nominated, but in our humble opinion, it is rather *infra dig.* for a would-be Representative to serve as Sergeant-at-Arms. Such a step can only be for the remuneration attached to the office and not with the idea of ever again being elected to a seat in the House. However we hope to see the best man win.

The Messenger's duties require an active young man, able to speak Hawaiian and English, quick eyesight, a delicate ear and an obliging demeanor. Young Hawaii, we feel proud to state, can boast of many such aspirants to glory.

COMMERCIAL.

SATURDAY, April 26, 1884.

Another dull week has to be added to the many that have been recorded this year. Imports of all merchandise but necessities have lessened and the return of life and animation is yet in the future.

Heavy rains have fallen all over the group, and damage has resulted therefrom in several quarters. During Monday night the rainfall on this Island was the heaviest known for the past thirty years; but beyond the loss of a few horses, fowls and young trees, the damage was not serious. The cane fields at Waimanalo were submerged for a few days, and a part of the railway track damaged.

The receipts of sugar for the week were 30,000 packages, all of which will be shipped to the Coast per S. S. Alameda, sailing on the 1st proximo. The bark Kalakaua sailed on the 22d instant with a cargo consisting of 5,159 packages sugar, 800 bags rice, 117 barrels molasses and a few packages of sundries, total value \$33,823 15. As the agents of the Oceanic Steamship Company have more sugar on hand than they can send forward per S. S. Alameda they have chartered the tern Dora Blum to load sugar for San Francisco.

The only imports that have arrived during the week were by the S. S. Alameda, of which a detailed account appears under the usual heading.

The arrivals since the last issue were the P. M. S. S. Zealandia and the O. S. S. Alameda from S. F.

The departures were the Zealandia for the Colonies, French Corvette Kerguelen for Tahiti and the bark Kalakaua for San Francisco. The British bark Birmah sails to-day for Valparaiso with 467 barrels molasses, containing 13,004 gallons.

The S. S. Alameda is engaged full to sail on the 1st proximo and also a full complement of passengers.

The Legislature opens to-day and during the ensuing week many of our leading business men will be occupied in attending to politics.

Planters will be pleased to learn that another instalment of Portuguese laborers may be expected to arrive about the end of May per S. S. City of Paris, that vessel having sailed from Madeira with a full complement of passengers on or about the 14th instant.

A grand sale of real estate, comprising valuable lots in Honolulu and also on the other Islands, will take place at the auction rooms of Mr. E. P. Adams on Monday next.

Several vessels may be expected to arrive during the ensuing week both from the Coast and foreign ports.

The new bank building is about to be started under the direction of our well known contractor, Mr. G. W. Lincoln.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Mr. J. J. Owen, editor and manager of the San Jose *Weekly Mercury*, who lately paid a visit to the Islands, has followed in the steps of other visiting journalists from the Coast, and improved his time whilst here in writing a few notes of his trip, the first batch of which are published in the *Mercury* of the 10th instant. After imparting to his readers a short but useful lesson in geography he states that it has only been within the past year that the trip to and from the Islands could be made with definite certainty as to time and comfort. In common with all other visitors, Mr. Owen makes a flattering allusion to the Oceanic Steamship Company's line of new and fast steamers. After elaborating at some length on these grand specimens of naval architecture he adds, "The opening of this line has awakened a deep interest among excursionists to visit this wonderful of the southern seas."

The article contains several answers to the questions asked in these columns in the early part of the month with regard to travel betwixt the Coast and the Islands. It is very correctly stated that "the round trip can be made in three weeks, allowing eight days at the Islands—hardly sufficient time to take in the volcanoes, but quite sufficient to 'do' Honolulu and vicinity. It is better to stop over one or two steamers and see it all."

After dilating in a somewhat sensational, but nevertheless truthful manner, of what is exacted from landmen on entering the domain of Old Neptune, and a brief but touching allusion to his fair companion, (he it remembered that Mr. and Mrs. Owen were on their honeymoon trip) the more pleasant part of the passage is described, when the passengers begin to know one another, and form pleasing acquaintances. The S. S. Zealandia, from Australia, bears down upon them, and passes almost within hailing distance, on her way to San Francisco. "Whistle answers to whistle, a waving of handkerchiefs, a bustle of glad excitement, and we speed our separate ways. Each to the other soon fades away from the sight and is lost like the fragile fabric of a dream."

And so the 2,000 miles are covered within the week until the "harbor of Honolulu," lifted its queer, dish-shaped crest just abeam of our good steamer." Mr. Owen concludes his interesting narrative in the following words: "Five miles further brought us to the wharf, where we were most warmly welcomed by our good friends, Capt. Jack Hasting and Hon. Paul Neumann—the former Chief-Assistant under the Minister of the Interior, and an old resident of the Islands, and the latter Attorney-General of the Hawaiian Government. Pleasant quarters had been secured for us at the Hawaiian Hotel, where we shall tarry for a few days, present our numerous 'credentials,' and prepare for the many rich surprises and pleasures in store for us in our travels through the Islands."

In this morning's issue of the ADVERTISER the enterprising proprietors of the Temple of Fashion, on Fort street, introduce a novelty in advertising, in the form of a handsomely printed copy of sheet music, containing one of the latest songs, which is given gratis to every subscriber of the PACIFIC COMMERCIAL ADVERTISER.

San Francisco is to have the fast mail, reducing the time of transmission between there and New York to five days. The *Alta* says ten years hence the time will most likely be reduced to four days, but five days will do very well for the present. It is a boon which will be appreciated.

On Monday next, the 28th inst. Mr. E. P. Adams will hold a grand auction sale of real estate, comprising several lots of land on Hawaii, houses and lots on the Plains, Kapiolani Park lots, Lunalilo lands situate in Hawaii, Molokai, Oahu and Kauai; also the valuable lot on Merchant street now occupied by the PACIFIC COMMERCIAL ADVERTISER, the store of the late firm of J. W. Robertson & Co. and the office of W. R. Castle, Esq. Full particulars can be obtained from the auctioneer.

Three divorce suits have been ordered by the Court to be continued to the July term, owing to the orders of the Court with regard to advertising not having been fully complied with by the counsel for the respective libellants.

The waterpipes that were washed away by the freshet on Tuesday morning have been replaced with pipes of a larger capacity than the old ones. Part of the bridge that was washed away from Pauoa was picked up on Wednesday in the harbor.

A meeting of the Honolulu Rifles was held on Tuesday evening, when a draft of the constitution and by-laws were submitted. After the transaction of further business the meeting adjourned until this evening.

The Academic School for Girls under the charge of Mrs. Geo. Wallace, No. 190 Nuanuan Avenue, will re-open for the summer term on Monday next, the 28th inst.

Mrs. Severance, wife of the Hawaiian Consul at San Francisco, assisted by her daughter, Miss Severance, gave a Keno party on the 2nd instant at their new residence in Octavia street.

The following is a list of the passengers booked per S. S. Alameda, up to 5 p. m. yesterday: Mrs. F. C. Lowry, M. Hyman, wife, child, and nurse, Mrs. M. J. Alexander, Mrs. Captain Sears, and 2 children, W. M. Greenwood, J. H. Walker, W. P. Toler, Mrs. W. C. Wilder and son, G. F. Holmes, W. J. Brodie, G. D. Dormin and daughter, Quincy A. Chase and wife, Mrs. P. Lewis, Miss D. Lewis, Mrs. J. H. Hayselden and 3 children, Mrs. G. Levy, H. J. Levy, M. Mownier, P. d'Aubarede, A. W. Kirkland, Capt. J. Shuldham, wife and servant, Mrs. H. A. Scott and 2 children, Mrs. J. McCord and 2 daughters, Mrs. D. W. Harrier and daughter, S. Magnin, Mr. Woolmington, A. C. Crane, F. M. Lewis, Mrs. Bruce Cartwright and infant, Gov. Wm. Hale, wife and son, S. T. Alexander, Rev. W. P. Alexander and wife, Miss Hattie McKéy, Mrs. Adelaide Anger and daughter, C. R. Lloyd and wife, A. D. Wilder, S. E. Fuller, Mrs. L. B. Coonan, Miss A. M. Paris, H. Farley and servant.

One by one, yet rapidly, the old native Hawaiians are dropping off, and the links which feebly bind the present generation to the traditional era of Hawaii, are being severed. On Thursday the 24th, there died at the residence of Mr. David Manaku of this city, an old native named Heenalua, whose age must have been 80 and 90 years. He was from Kohala and contemporary with Kamehameha the Great, of whom, and of the old chiefs of the Conqueror's days, he often related native *kaos*, or tales. Some thirty years since he and his wife visited the United States in a whaleship, but how long they were absent, we have not learned. For the last twenty-five years he has lived in the family of the late John Moanali, and for some years in the house opposite to that occupied by John Paty Esq., in Nuanuan Valley.

The several companies of the Honolulu Fire Department are reminded that the Annual Parade of the brigades will take place on Friday next, the 2nd of May. They are requested to assemble in the square opposite the hall of Mechanic Engine Co. No. 2, at 9:30 A. M., in full uniform, on the day named. As the majority of firemen are employees, it might not be out of place that a half-holiday should be granted to them on that day. We feel sure that a petition to that effect would carry weight with employers and ensure a full attendance of this self-sacrificing organization.

"Joy in the Lord" will be Mr. Cruzan's morning theme, and "A New Problem in Profit and Loss," the evening subject Sunday. In the evening a small orchestra, consisting of a quartette of stringed instruments, a flute and a clarionette will be used in the musical service. This return to the old Jewish and Puritan custom of the use of stringed and wind instruments in the worship of God, will undoubtedly render still more attractive and edifying the fine musical service of the Fort street Church.

This afternoon's concert at Emma Square will conclude with two new quicksteps, "Lunamakaainana," and "Aloha Oe," the former composed by Mr. Berger specially for the occasion, and the latter arranged by him as a march. The least acknowledgment that can be made to the composer of this music by the gentlemen whom it is dedicated will be to visit Emma Square during the concert.

The Royal Hawaiian Band will play this (Saturday) afternoon at 4:30 p.m. at Emma Square. The following is the programme: March—"Hawaii Nei,".....Berger Overture—"Festival,".....Bach Finale—"Bivouac,".....Petrella Selection—"Nabucco,".....Verdi Waltz—"Thine Alone,".....Meissler Two Quicksteps (a.), "Lunamakaainana," New by Berger (b.), "Aloha Oe."

The O. P. M. B. keeps pace with this progressive age. By the S. S. Alameda this well-known resort of the mechanic and the merchant received 54 packages of new goods, containing a varied assortment of Gents' suits, from the full dress to the ordinary serge business suit. Call and see the dressy windows, corner Fort and Merchant streets.

It was not until pressure was brought to bear that the name of the gentleman who met with an accident was withheld from the columns of our afternoon contemporary. Would that reporter like to see the name of the lady in print who is "an instance of the misery inflicted by a reporter?"

The Temple of Fashion on Fort street received by the last steamer a magnificent assortment of new goods from the best Eastern manufacturers. Their new 3-column advertisement on our third page sets forth the enterprise of Messrs. S. Cohn & Co., and should be read by all who desire to clothe themselves in the latest new style.

On Monday evening there will be the usual concert at Emma Square, and on Tuesday evening by the courtesy of Governor Dominis, there will be an extra concert given in the Hawaiian Hotel grounds, complimentary to the visitors at present in the city.

The marriage of Professor Frank W. Damon to Miss Happer will take place at Canton on Thursday next, the 1st of May.

The Rev. A. O. Forbes will preach at the Bethel Church to-morrow.

The San Francisco *News Letter* says a trip to the Sandwich Islands is rapidly becoming a necessity in fashionable life, and one may as well confess their inability to understand the French language as to say that they have not been, or are not going, to Honolulu this year. Several large parties have already made the trip, and more are being made up every day for taking it. The Fred Lows, Jarboes, Mayo Newhalls, Henry Scotts and others are already booked for Honolulu in the very near future, and the number of Sandwich Island pilgrims are increasing almost daily. In fact, from all heard on the subject, it may be safely said that fully one-half the best San Francisco society will have made a call on King Kalakaua before the summer is over and gone.

The British Benevolent Society held a special meeting on Thursday evening to decide upon ways and means and celebrating the anniversary of the society. There were present Major H. Wodehouse, President, Rev. A. Mackintosh, Vice President, Hon. A. S. Cleg-horn, T. H. Davies, Robt. McKibben, H. N. Mist, J. M. Monsarrat, T. May, T. M. Starkey, Hon. Robt. Stirling, R. F. Bickerton, F. Whitney, A. Young, S. Taylor, E. Hutton Rowe, E. Henson, Catton, and J. A. Kennedy (Secretary). No business of a definite nature transpired. The meeting adjourned to meet again at an early date to make final arrangements for the celebration of the anniversary of the Society and also of the Queen's Birthday.

Mr. Welch of the "Royal Hotel" is the owner of a small black and tan terrier which killed a monstrous rat on his premises during the early part of the week, and he is desirous that the public should be acquainted with the fact. We are informed that the rat was a very large one—one of the largest ever seen in Honolulu. The dog caught the rat in the back yard of the "Royal" and after a hard fight, succeeded in killing him. The rat fought bravely and bit the dog several times, but eventually succumbed to his fate. A large crowd, it is said witnessed this, to them, interesting affair.

Another prisoner named Moore, undergoing a sentence of five years imprisonment at hard labor for assault with violence, or what is generally termed highway robbery, escaped from a prison gang Thursday morning. His liberty was of short duration, however, as he was re-arrested in his place of concealment on board the Birmah. He was lodged in the station house, and yesterday morning he appeared before His Honor and received a further sentence of 3 months for violation of the prison regulations. Moore will now appear on duty with a chain and ball *à la Kani*. His arrest is due to the vigilance of Captain Mehtrens.

The erudite and astute journalist who has a talent (?) for furnishing two or three columns of daily "clap-trap," should before attempting to criticise others, furnish something original and correct in the columns he is supposed to edit. As an instance we will ask who is "William Taylor recently sentenced for breaking into the Keystone Saloon." "We sincerely hope that when Captain trip does arrive in Honolulu" that his backbiters and slanderers will be out of his reach or he might be inclined to cause a breach of the peace, and thereby afford them an opportunity to report something truthful. It is hoped for their own sakes that they will take timely warning, or they will find out to their sorrow that apologies and explanations will be found of no *avale* (sic).

A very excellent map of the United States mounted on rollers and showing all the railways throughout the Continent, more particularly those known as the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy routes, has kindly been forwarded to this office by Mr. W. G. Ashley, agent for Wells, Fargo & Co. The whole "get up" shows taste and tact and also clearly shows the handiwork of the enterprising agent in San Francisco, Mr. Tom McKay.

A handsome gold scarf pin, with a sapphire in the centre encircled by several small diamonds, was lost on King street on Thursday. The finder will be rewarded by returning it to Messrs. Kennedy & Co., on Hotel street.

The evidence in the Equity suit of John McKeague vs. H. Neiser, *et al* was concluded on Wednesday, having occupied three full days. The argument of counsel will be heard on Monday next.

The next term of Fort Street School will begin next Monday. It is desired that all new pupils present themselves at that time.

The Supreme Court will sit in Banco on Wednesday next and following days until all the Banco cases have been disposed of.

The S. S. Kinau and Iwalani will be due at daylight this morning.

Our reporter was requested by the officers of the British Benevolent Society not to publish the names of the gentlemen who were nominated to serve on the Ball Committee, the list not being completed, and of course complied with the request. Not so with the *Bulletin*.

A gold breast pin, clasp form, was recently lost on the Valley road between the residence of Major Benson and Captain Mist. The finder will be rewarded by leaving it at the ADVERTISER office.

The Hon. P. Kanoa yesterday resigned his position in the House of Nobles. The Hon. George W. Macfarlane was appointed to fill the vacancy.